

Joint WDC-NRC Whangarei Public Transport Working Party Minutes

Meeting held in the NRC council chambers
36 Water Street,
Whangārei
on Tuesday 11 June 2024, commencing at 9.00am

Tuhinga/Present:

Chairperson, Councillor Jack Craw
NRC Councillor Rick Stolwerk
NRC Councillor Joe Carr (*Ex-officio*)
WDC Councillor Scott McKenzie
WDC Councillor Simon Reid (*arrived 9.21am*)
WDC Councillor Carol Peters (*arrived 9.07am*)

I Tae Mai/In Attendance:

Full Meeting

NTA representative, Dawn Spence
Group Manager – Community Resilience, Louisa Gritt
NRC Secretariat, Haylee Labelle
NTA representative, Kayla Gunson
NTA Transport Manager, Chris Powell

Part Meeting

WDC Councillor Carol Peters (*exited 9.32am*)

The Chair declared the meeting open at 0900am.

Ngā Mahi Whakapai/Housekeeping (Item 1.0)

Ngā whakapahā/Apologies (Item 2.0)

There were no apologies.

Confirmation of Minutes - 2 April 2024 (Item 4.1)

Report from Haylee Labelle, Personal Assistant Community Resilience

Ngā mahi tūtohutia / Recommendation

That the minutes of the Whangarei Public Transport Working Party meeting held on 2 April 2024, be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Carried

Receipt of Action Sheet (Item 5.1)

Report from Haylee Labelle, Personal Assistant Community Resilience

Nga mahi tutohutia / Recommendation

That the action sheet be received.

Carried

Operational Report (Item 6.1)

Report from Chris Powell, Transport Manager - Northland Transportation Alliance

Ngā mahi tūtohutia / Recommendation

That the report 'Operational Report' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager - Northland Transportation Alliance and dated 8 April 2024, be received.

Secretarial notes: Report taken as read

National Ticketing System – NZTA released a statement, new system will be called Motu Move. Timeline set, subject to change - Northland will be done by end of 2025 (at the earliest). 6-months before implementation messaging to go out for zero balances on cards as current cards to be phased out. Whangarei to retain cash payment method.

CityLink Driver Situation – Tabled CityLink Driver Situation response to the questions asked of Ritchies (from February meeting) as were not ready at the time of submitting the report

SchoolLink Service – Recommendation to chair, if ticketing machine issue not resolved by 17/6/24, one week free service offered to school children to allow 1-week to get the machines operational. Cant delay the service again - unanimously agreed.

Bream Bay Link Service Extension – OTP link requires investigation and feasibility studies to be undertaken on route extension

Rose Street Bus Terminal – Expect less than 12 months to complete build from start date

Whangarei Young Week – Acknowledged Anita Child who worked on this

T2 Lanes – Downer has responded, waiting on CSL. Striving to achieve all four stages however funding will not stretch this far - have prioritised section 1 and 2. Cr McKenzie requesting update on contradictory messages about T2 lanes

Total Mobility – Need to see the recommendation from MOT/NZTA in order to understand the impact

Action:

- Citylink Driver Situation response email to be circulated to WPTWP members following the June meeting
- Group Manager Community Resilience to provide an email to the chair within one week to provide T2 lanes update
- Transport Manager NTA to obtain timeline from National meeting on MOT/NZTA review of Total Mobility eligibility criteria

Carried

Frequency of Future Meetings (Item 6.2)

Report from Haylee Labelle, Personal Assistant Community Resilience

Discussion led by Cr. Craw

Secretarial note: Cr Stolwerk raised a motion to reduce the frequency of the WPTWP meetings currently bi-monthly to tri-annually (three times per annum). Moved: (Craw/Carr) Carried. NRC will propose future meeting dates/times to the chair for consideration and implementation

Secretarial note: Cr Stolwerk has been put forward to take the chair role for the WPTWP and will commence chair role at the next WPTWP meeting. Cr McKenzie thanked Cr Craw for his role of meeting chair to date.

Action:

- New meeting dates to be agreed with the chair

Whakamutunga (Conclusion)

The meeting concluded at 9.52.am

Unconfirmed